

MODEL COMBINATION SCHOOL BUILDING, LOMBARDY STREET.

the honor of addressing a farmers' meeting, a kind of combination meeting, that had for its object the advancement of a scheme for a county fair and the encouragement of farmers to do more reading of an industrial and educational kind. I did my best to infuse in the minds of my farmer friends an interest in home libraries, a greater interest in good roads and several other things. I hope I gave them some information worth the close attention they paid to my few remarks, I know I got much inspiration and a good deal of information out of the meeting. For instance, I caught on to the Southampton County fairs an idea quite unique that other counties may well pattern after.

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year, and so great had been the re-sults, they were much in the humor Ample arrangements have been made for a bigger show this fall. It was on the school lot and two adjoining

There will be all kinds of music by the secretary, and Paul Scarborough, a farmer and newspaper man, the editor of the Tidewater News, is the assistant secretary and treasurer. There are several vice-presidents and a board of directors among the other officers, and all of them work and work well without pay or hope of emolument.

I was down in Southampton County the early part of last week and had the honor of addressing a farmers' meeting, a kind of combination meeting, that had for its chieft the secretary and I am going to tell about it for the information and guid-

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It is now proposed to enlarge the exhibition and do greater things the comming fall. To this end the meeting was held last Monday. The reports of various district committees brought out the list of the promittees brought out.

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Unique Proposition.

This Southampton County fair is something unique, in that there was last year, and will be this year, no gate fees, and all of the farmers and their wives and daughters and sisters and cousins and aunts will be admitted to the grounds free of charge, and everybody can make exhibits if they want to.

T. H. Birdsong, a live-wire citizen of the county, who does much business in the good little town of Courtland, is the president of the association. J. T. Knight, an up-to-date farmer, is the parade will be something worth and the proposition.

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hus engaged in building Virginia's being saved to the State. being wonderfully improved and

nishes Lancaster and this section with thousands of cattle. Some of the finest steers that are sold at the union stockyards come from Pulaski's blue grass farms, and the sight of them grazing on those fertile fields is well worth the stock grower's visit. Many of the farms contain as much as 1,000 acres, few of them less than 200, and some as much as 3,000 while the borrows. as much as 3,000, while the horses raised in that section are as fine as Kentucky is supposed to have a monopoly of Certainly, Lancaster County needs an awakening in horse breeding, and along that line Pulaski and Virginia have lessons to teach us. Among Virginia's largest stock raisers is Henry C. Stuart, who will be her next Governor. On his estate there is said to be at this time 1,500 head of fat cattle, while the McGayesty of the next Governor.

said to be at this time 1,500 head of fat cattle, while the McGavocks, of the Draper Valley, have their hills covered with them. The foreman on a Virginia estate in that section some time ago stole a carload of cattle, them to a town not far from time ago stole a carload of cattle, shipped them to a town not far from Harrisburg, and sold them for cash. He escaped, but the purchaser did not for he had to pay for the same cattle

the old fogles of Courtland were chew. the old fogles of Courtland were chewing their cuds and thinking that the whole world had to revolve around Courtland at least once in every twenty-four hours. The world went on revolving in its own way, and Courtland got left, but the old togics.

yard, and there it stands to-day as assured me that Courtland is a fin- gates, State Board of Education and to only keeps a large amount of money

he would be kept guessing as to men who want to, whether it were a George Washington, There is one thir

There is one thing in the town that In reference to this demonstration plished. whether it were a George Washington, Nat Turner or General Mahone monument. Its location, directly in front of the jail would most likely suggest that it is a monument in honor of the most distinguished occupant of a cell therein, Nat Turner, A close inspection and a careful reading of the inscription, however, will let the wayfarer know that it was really intended for a Confederate monument. Men and brethren of Southampton County: for the love of heaven null down your results of the finished town of Court-inspection of the finished town of Court-inspection. rickety old jail or move your Confederate monument to decent, respectable ground. The two don't mix well, and

their close association can but grate harshly on the nerves of all lovers of

for the love of heaven, pull down your

Old Timey Offices. The ancient courthouse I guess is one of the oldest in the State. In shape and general makeup it looks as if it might have been in use since the

days of John Smith and Pocahontas. but in the matter of comfort and cool-

ness on a hot June day, the ancient

one of ye olden time sure enough. Of course, they are lawyers' offices built

the lost cause.

pile is really a joy.

Just above the courthouse and on Money Lenders Indorse and Enthe grounds owned by the county is a row of ancient offices that remind

comfort of the clerk of the courts, mitted through chairman V. Valden, the the treasurer, the Commissioner of following very interesting report:

yard, and there it stands to-day as if it were erected to guard the jail ished town. Perhaps of the short-sightedness I spoke about above had much to do with finishing it. But be all that as it may, the fact remains that the village has not grown any for the past decade. It has let Frankthe inscription with care before he inscription with care before he will be quite sure what it commemorates. The ancient courthouse nearby would not help him out very much, for if the visitor were to judge by the would not help him out very much, for if the visitor were to judge by the ancientness and moss-coveredness of should be a dead or finished town. It is should be some countles,

ticularly bright-shining spot to the credit of the finished town of Courtland. Of course, the town has some other good points, but this one shines out brightest of them all.

FRANK S. WOODSON.

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VIRGINAFARMER

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the treasurer, the Commissioner of Revenue, the chairman of the Board of Supervisors and so on down the line. Southampton looks after the comfort of its officers all right, and was entrusted with, we sent copies of the reason the people are the "second annual conference of the confort of the reason the people are the "second annual conference of the confort of the reason the people are the "second annual conference of the confort of the reason the people are the "second annual conference of the confort of the reason the people are the confort of the commissioner of the commission Your committee feels that it is, in-

nothing definite has been accom-

course, they are lawyers' offices built more for lazy comfort than for intellectual research. In the rear of the couthouse and to the right of it the couthouse and to the right of it they are lawyers' offices built.

At the convention of the Virginia attention of our university at Charge attention of our university at Charge attention of our university at Charge attention of the virginia lottesville? We sincerely hope that they will broaden the field of their activities. honored citizens. Help them in a material way and encourage the corn and alfalfa clubs among the boys and the tomato and other clubs among our

is being wonderfully improved and land values are leaping. Pennsylvania, yet, and Lancaster County, has a well-filled jail, the inmates of which might be at work. There's no reason why Bummer's Hall should ever contain lazy, able-bodied boarders. Why should they loaf in Pennsylvania when they labor in Virginia?

"Gov." Stuart's Fine Cattle.

"Pulaski County, Va., which furnishes this idea, is the county that furnishes Lancaster and this section with

ine. Southampton looks after the confort of its own way, and courtland got left, but the old fogies were not converted. They actually thought that every foot of ground they owned within the corporate limits were than Broad Street property in Richmond, and about ten years ago, when the Confederate veterans were in fine Commonwealth's Attorney of the Gommonwealth's Attorney of the State South and the Preparation of such papers as is necessary to procure a look of the Gommonwealth's Attorney of the Gommonwealth's Attorney of the Gommonwealth's Attorney of the Gommonwealth's Attorney of

ested in school matters will find the matter comprehensive in detail and more attractive, and the advertiser receives considerable more in the way of circulation and publicity. Applications for space have been received from the following schools: UNIVERSITIES. University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., E. A. Alderman, Pres. Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., Dr. H. L. Smith, William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., Lyon G. Tyler, Pres.

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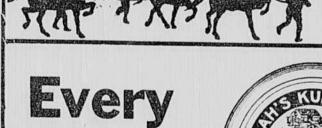
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